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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Sandhu et. al.

Serial No.: 10/642,705

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For: PROCESS FOR GROWING A
DIELECTRIC LAYER ON A SILICON
CONTAINING SURFACE USING A
MIXTURE OF N₂O AND O₃

Examiner: T. Meeks

Group Art Unit: 1762

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF
NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) whose initial period of response is set to expire on May 14, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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